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SUBJECT: JAPANESE AMBASSADOR'S CALL ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
HABIB

1. AMBASSADOR YASUKAWA CALLED AT HIS REQUEST ON ASSISTANT  
SECRETARY HABIB OCTOBER 21 PRINCIPALLY TO DISCUSS KHMER  
CREDENTIALS ISSUE.

2. STATING THAT HE WAS NOT TAKING UP FRIENDLY RESOLUTION  
AS SUCH, YASUKAWA INFORMED THAT JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAD  
INSTRUCTED HIM MAKE APPROACH TO SEE IF THERE WERE ANY US  
INTENTION TO MAKE A DEMARCHE OR OTHER MANEUVER TO  
IMPROVE THE POSITION AT THE UNGA. HE DID NOT MEAN DIRECT  
CONTACT WITH SIHANOUK BUT PERHAPS AN APPROACH TO GRUNK  
THROUGH THIRD PARTY. THE AMBASSADOR STATED HE WAS AWARE  
OF THE SECRETARY'S EFFORT WITH THE CHINESE IN NEW YORK  
WHERE HE HAD OBTAINED NO REACTION.

3. IN RESPONSE, HABIB DECLARED IT IMPOSSIBLE DISCUSS WITH  
SIHANOUK ON HIS TERMS. HE STRESSED INTENSE USG ACTIVITY ON  
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BEHALF GKR AND FRIENDLY RESOLUTION OF WHICH US NOT YET A

SPONSOR AT REQUEST ASIAN GROUP. TO DATE, ALL MISSIONS ABROAD, EVEN THOSE IN EASTERN EUROPE, HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED MAKE MAJOR EFFORT AND SECRETARY, HIMSELF, HAS WRITTEN LETTER TO CERTAIN KEY LEADERS. PICTURE SOMEWHAT BRIGHTER THAN A WEEK AGO BUT NECESSITY TO WIN AS GREAT AS EVER. LATTER

ESPECIALLY TRUE IN LIGHT NEW YORK MEETINGS WITH CHINESE AND SOVIETS WHEN WE INDICATED READINESS TO DISCUSS KHMER ISSUE BUT RECEIVED IMPRECISE REPLIES. OUR FEELING IS THAT UNTIL UNGA VOTE WON AND OPPONENTS CONVINCED THEY CANNOT WIN THIS WAY, THERE IS LITTLE HOPE OF REASONABLE DISCUSSION.

4. IN REPLY TO YASUKAWA'S QUERY AS TO WHETHER WE WERE CONSIDERING PRESSING NOW FOR A RESPONSE FROM PRC, HABIB STATED LATTER FULLY UNDERSTAND OUR POSITION, AS DO SOVIETS. HE URGED AMBASSADOR TO INFORM TOKYO THAT US AND JAPAN THINKING ALIKE ON THIS ISSUE, THAT WE WOULD NOT MISS ANY OPPORTUNITY PRIOR UNGA VOTE AND THAT THE SECRETARY HAS THE CAMBODIAN PROBLEM VERY MUCH IN MIND AT ALL TIMES. KISSINGER

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